

DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION

Docket Number
RD-28,965

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

BARRIER LAYER FOR AN ARTICLE AND METHOD OF MAKING SAID BARRIER LAYER BY EXPANDING THERMAL PLASMA

the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following box is checked:

was filed on _____ as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number _____
and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations §1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application

Priority Claimed

Yes No

(Number)	(Country)	(Day/Month/Year Filed)
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Yes No

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

(Application Number)	(Filing Date)
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code §120 of any United States Application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

(Application Number)	(Filing Date)	(Status - patented, pending, abandoned)
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

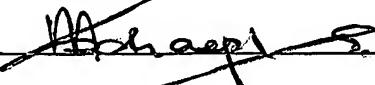
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PATENT ASSIGNMENT

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NATURE OF CONVEYANCE: ASSIGNMENT OF ASSIGNOR'S INTEREST

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ASSIGNMENT

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In consideration of One Dollar and Other good and valuable consideration, of which I acknowledge receipt, I (we)
Marc (NMN) Schaepkens of Ballston Lake, NY

of
of

sell and assign to General Electric Company, a New York Corporation, its successors and assigns the entire right, title and interest in and to the improvements in:

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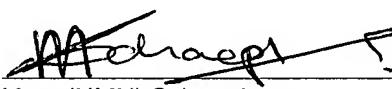
invented by me (us), as described in the application for United States patent

executed concurrently herewith, or
 U.S. Serial No.: _____, filed _____

and any and all applications for patent and patents therefor in any and all countries, including all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof, and all rights of priority resulting from the filing of said United States application, and authorize and request any official whose duty it is to issue patents, to issue any patents on said improvements or resulting therefrom to said General Electric Company, or its successors or assigns and agree that on request and without further consideration, but at the expense of said Company, I will communicate to said Company or its representatives or nominees any facts known to me respecting said improvements and testify in any legal proceeding, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, continuing and reissue applications, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything possible to aid said Company, its successors, assigns, and nominees to obtain and enforce proper patent protection for said improvements in all countries.

5/22/2002

Date


Marc (NMN) Schaepkens

State of New York) SS:

County of Schenectady)

This 22nd day of May, 2002, before me personally came the

above-named Marc (NMN) Schaepkens to me personally known as the individual who executed the foregoing assignment, who acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same of his/her own free will for the purposes therein set forth.

Seal

JEAN Q. MYERS
Notary Public in the State of New York
Qualified in Schenectady Co.
My Commission Expires Dec. 31, 2002


(Notary Public)